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Docket No. 10908/9 (P20197/MAJR/ds)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Craig Van Buuren

Appln. No.: 10/796,557 Examiner: Fiorito Filed: March 9, 2004 Art Unit: 1793

For: METHOD OF AND APPARATUS

Applicant is: small entity (per 37 CFR 1.27)

FOR SIMULATING A BIOLOGICAL HEAP LEACHING PROCESS

Confirmation No. 1076

other than small entity

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated June 6, 2008 for a period of three months to and including December 6, 2008.

	Extension Months	Other Than Small Entity	Small Entity
	One Month	\$130.00	\$65.00
	Two Months	\$490.00	\$245.00
\boxtimes	Three Months	\$1,110.00	\$555.00
	Four Months	\$1,730.00	\$865.00
	Five Months	\$2,350.00	\$1,175.00

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⊠ above to	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$1,110.00 to cover the fees listed e to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.			
⊠ overpayr	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees or credit verpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.			
		Respectfully submitted,		
Dated:	November 21, 2008	/G. Peter Nichols/ G. Peter Nichols, Reg. No. 34,401 Attorney for Applicant		

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